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TOPIC Military Information from Kuestrin 25X1

EVALUATION [redacted] 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 3 to 19 January 1952

DATE OBTAINED [redacted] DATE PREPARED 8 February 1952

REFERENCES [redacted] 25X1

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SOURCE [redacted] 25X1

25X1 1. Until 19 January 1952, the Artillerie Kaserne on the Oderinsel (island in the Oder River) at Kuestrin (O 51/V 66) was still occupied by AAA units which had vehicles [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] Almost daily, source observed soldiers practicing with 37-mm and 76.2-mm AA guns, conducting aiming practice at aircraft models, and receiving close-order drill in groups of five or six men. Each group included one soldier who carried a red and a white signal flag. Upon a flag signal by one group, another group acknowledged the signal and changed its formation and direction of march respectively.

25X1 2. Student drivers were observed on truck [redacted] on 3 January. Five trucks, [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] each towing a 37-mm gun, were observed leaving the Artillerie Kaserne on 11 January. Seven or eight soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets were seen riding on each truck, and two soldiers on each gun. Four trucks [redacted] towing 37-mm guns drove from the installation toward Manschnow at about 2 p.m. on 14 January and returned at about 8 p.m. Vehicles which left the Artillerie Kaserne at 2:45 p.m. and returned at about 9 p.m. on 18 January included 4 trucks [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] towing 76.2-mm AA guns, and 1 truck towing an object which seemed to be a searchlight.

25X1 3. The improved emplacements east of the bridge across the Oder River contained six 37-mm AA guns, whereas the somewhat larger and deeper emplacements north and south of this bridge were still empty. *

25X1 * [redacted] Comment. [redacted] the Artillerie Kaserne, Kuestrin, as still quartering elements of the 32nd(?) AAA Div. [redacted] 25X1
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